



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION

RIGHT OF WAY STREET CLOSURE PERMIT FEES

Effective July 1, 2005, City of Norfolk will start a new right of way street closure permit fee structure. The new structure is designed to coincide more closely with the impact of street closures and provide incentives to communicate right-of-way construction activity.

Street closures interrupt normal traffic patterns, causing travel delays for motorists and creating an increased risk for accidents around work zones. They also produce a need for accurate information for emergency operations staff, as this information is used to guide emergency vehicles around street closures. With the increasing level of construction activity in the City, it is essential to improve control of street closures.

The new fee structure uses variable rates for permit fees which will allow the city to better monitor the duration of street closures. The new fees will be commensurate with the impact caused by the work and the level of inspection needed to monitor the work.

Work done by or on behalf of the City of Norfolk or the Commonwealth of Virginia requires a street closure permit but will be exempt from the permit fees in accordance with City Code.

The new right of way closure permit fee structure and the Norfolk City Code Section 29-69.1 are presented on the reverse side of this handout.

If you would like to have additional information concerning this matter, please call or write to:

City of Norfolk
Department of Public Works
Division of Transportation
City Hall Building
810 Union Street, Room 200
Norfolk, VA 23510
664-7300

<http://www.norfolk.gov/publicworks/trans.asp>

That Section 29-69.1 of the Norfolk City Code, 1979, is hereby amended and reordained to rename the section “Obstructing or altering normal traffic or pedestrian movement requires permit; Street/lane or sidewalk closure requires permit,” and to specify the fees for street/lane and sidewalk closure permits, said section/ named, numbered and reading as follows:

Sec. 29-69.1 Obstructing or altering normal traffic or pedestrian movement requires permit;
Street/lane or sidewalk closure requires permit.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct or alter the normal pattern of traffic or pedestrian movement in or along any of the streets or sidewalks of the city by the placement of any dumpster, barrier or traffic control device without first obtaining a permit from the director of public works.
- (b) Whenever it is necessary to issue a permit to allow normal traffic or pedestrian movement in or along a city street/lane or sidewalk to be temporarily obstructed or altered, a fee shall be charged for each such permit in accordance with the following schedule below. The fee shall be collected by the department of public works. The permit fee shall not be applicable when the normal traffic and pedestrian movement is altered or obstructed as a result of any work performed by or in behalf of the city or the state. The director of public works must be notified within 24 hours when the street, lane or sidewalk has been reopened. An administrative fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) will be added to the required permit fees for failure to comply with this subsection (b).
- (c) All barriers and traffic control devices shall comply with the requirements set forth in the Manual On Uniform Traffic Control Devices For Streets and Highways, published by the United States Department of Transportation and the Virginia Work Area Protection Manual Standards And Guidelines, published by the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Street/Lane closure; Arterials & Collectors	1-15 Days	\$50.00
Street/Lane closure; Arterials & Collectors	16-30 Days	\$100.00
Street/Lane closure; Arterials & Collectors	Over 30 Days	\$100.00 plus \$10.00 per day over 30 days.
Street/Lane closure; Residential Streets	1-30 Days	\$50.00
Street/Lane closure; Residential Streets	Over 30 Days	\$50.00 for the first 30 days plus \$5.00 per day over 30 days.
Sidewalk closure	1-30 Days	\$50.00 and \$50.00 each 30-day period thereafter, beginning on the 31st day.
Dumpster in the Right of Way	1-15 Days	\$50.00
Dumpster in the Right of Way	16-30 Days	\$100.00
Dumpster in the Right of Way	Over 30 Days	\$100.00 for the first 30 days plus \$10.00 per day over 30 days.